



DECLARATION OF FISCAL EMERGENCY

WHEREAS, on March 11, 2020, the World Health Organization declared COVID-19 a pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 12, 2020, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada issued a Declaration of Emergency to facilitate the State's response to the COVID-19 pandemic; and

WHEREAS, on March 13, 2020, Donald J. Trump, President of the United States declared a nationwide emergency pursuant to Sec. 501(b) of the Robert T. Stafford Disaster Relief and Emergency Assistance Act, 42 U.S.C. 5121-5207 (the "Stafford Act"); and

WHEREAS, the ability of the novel coronavirus that causes COVID-19 to survive on surfaces for indeterminate periods of time renders some property unusable and contributes to contamination, damage, and property loss; and

WHEREAS, the propensity of the COVID-19 disease to spread via interpersonal contact precipitated the widespread closure of certain businesses and the imposition of limitations on other businesses; and

WHEREAS, the global economic fallout of the COVID-19 pandemic has disrupted commerce and will negatively impact the amount of revenue received by the State of Nevada and school districts in this State that is estimated to result in a potential shortfall of State General Fund revenue of between \$504 million and \$616 million and an increase in State General Fund appropriation to the State Distributive School Account of between \$237 million and \$295 million in the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2020; and

WHEREAS, a significant shortfall of State General Fund revenue and increase in State General Fund appropriation is also estimated for the fiscal year ending on June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the amount of money in the Account to Stabilize the Operation of the State Government, commonly known as the "Rainy Day Fund," combined with the other financial resources available to the State of Nevada to offset a revenue shortfall is insufficient to offset a revenue shortfall and increase in State General Fund appropriations of this magnitude for the fiscal years ending on June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2021; and

WHEREAS, the State of Nevada must act quickly to reduce expenditures to ensure that the expenditures of the State for the fiscal years ending on June 30, 2020 and June 30, 2021, do not exceed the revenue collected by the State for the fiscal year; and

WHEREAS, NRS 414.0345 defines an emergency as an occurrence or threatened occurrence for which, in the determination of the Governor, the assistance of state agencies is needed to supplement the efforts and capabilities of political subdivisions to save lives, protect property and protect the health and safety of persons in this state, or to avert the threat of damage to property or injury to or the death of persons in this state.

WHEREAS, NRS 414.070 outlines powers delegated to the Governor during the existence of a state of emergency, including without limitation, performing and exercising such functions, powers and duties as are necessary to promote and secure the safety and protection of the civilian population; and

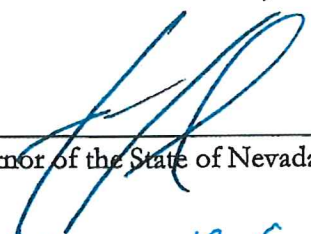
WHEREAS, NRS 353.288 authorizes the State of Nevada to transfer money from the Account to Stabilize the Operation of the State Government, commonly known as the Rainy Day Fund, to the State General Fund if the Legislature, or the Interim Finance Committee when the Legislature is not in session, and the Governor declares the existence of a fiscal emergency; and


WHEREAS, Article 5, Section 1 of the Nevada Constitution provides: "The supreme executive power of this State, shall be vested in a Chief Magistrate who shall be Governor of the State of Nevada;" and

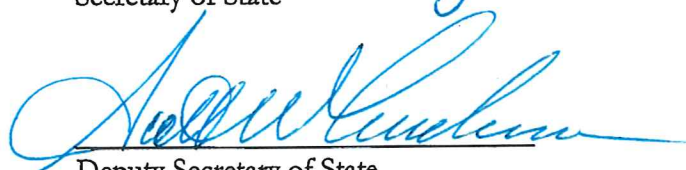
NOW THEREFORE, I, Steve Sisolak, Governor of the State of Nevada, pursuant to the authority vested in me by the Constitution and laws of the State of Nevada and the United States, hereby declare a state of fiscal emergency arising from the COVID-19 pandemic that has placed public services in jeopardy.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Nevada to be affixed at the State Capitol in Carson City, this 10th day of May, in the year two thousand twenty.


Governor of the State of Nevada


Secretary of State


Deputy Secretary of State